

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1.-5. (cancelled)

6. (twice amended) The ~~surface mount~~ crossover component of claim 7, further comprising an input termination contact in electrical communication with an input end of each of said second conductor line and said third conductor line, and an output termination contact in electrical communication with an output end of each of said second conductor line and said third conductor line, wherein said ground plane layer is electrically isolated from each of said input termination contacts and each of said output termination contacts.

7. (twice amended) A crossover component [of claim 5, further] comprising:
a functional surface mount component including a first conductor line;
a ground plane layer disposed on one of opposite major surfaces of said functional surface mount component;
a dielectric layer disposed adjacent said ground plane layer; and
a ~~at least one~~ second conductor line disposed adjacent said dielectric layer, said second conductor ~~at least one~~ line traversing said dielectric layer to provide an electrical path from one end of the crossover component to an opposed end thereof,

wherein said dielectric layer and said ground plane layer electrically and capacitively isolate, respectively, said first conductor line and said second conductor line from one another, such that current flowing through the crossover component via said second conductor line encounters no substantial interference from current flowing through said first conductor line, further comprising a third conductor line disposed adjacent said dielectric layer, said third conductor line coplanar with said second conductor line and spaced laterally from said second conductor line, said third conductor line traversing said dielectric layer to provide a second electrical path from the one end of the crossover component to the opposed end thereof.

8. (twice amended) The crossover component of claim 7, further comprising at least two a ~~first~~ input termination contact ~~contacts~~, each said input termination contact in electrical communication with an input end of each of said second conductor line and said third conductor line, ~~a first and at least two~~ output termination contact ~~contacts~~, each said output termination contact in electrical communication with an output end of each of said second conductor line and said third conductor line, ~~a second input termination contact in electrical communication with an input end of said third conductor line, and a second output termination contact in electrical communication with an output end of said third conductor line~~, wherein said ground plane layer is electrically isolated from said at least two input termination contacts and said at least two output termination contacts.

9-12. (cancelled)

13. (Previously amended) The surface mount crossover component of claim 15, wherein said first conductor line extends along a first direction and said second conductor line extends along a second direction crossing said first direction.

14. (cancelled)

15. (twice amended) A crossover component, comprising:

a bottom ground plane layer;

a first dielectric layer disposed above said bottom ground plane layer;

at least one first conductor line disposed above said first dielectric layer;

a second dielectric layer disposed above said at least one first conductor line;

an internal ground plane layer disposed above said second dielectric layer;

a third dielectric layer disposed above said internal ground plane layer;

at least one second conductor line disposed above said third dielectric layer;

a fourth dielectric layer disposed above said at least one second conductor line; and

a top ground plane layer disposed above said fourth dielectric layer;

wherein a current flowing through said surface mount crossover component via one of said at least one first and second conductor lines encounters no substantial interference from current flowing through the other one of said at least one first and second conductor lines, further comprising a first input termination contact in electrical communication with an input end of said at least one first conductor line, a first output termination contact in electrical communication

with an output end of said at least one first conductor line, a second input termination contact in electrical communication with an input end of said at least one second conductor lines, and a second output termination contact in electrical communication with an output end of said at least one second conductor lines wherein said component is generally the shape of a parallelepiped with said first input and output termination contacts arranged along one pair of diagonally opposed corners of the crossover component, and the second input and output termination contacts arranged along the other pair of diagonally opposed corners of the crossover component.

16. (currently amended) The crossover component of claim [[14,]] 15, wherein said ground plane layers are electrically isolated from said termination contacts.